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SUBJECT: SADAT RECEIVES SULH

1. JUDGING FROM CAIRO PRESS JULY 7, ARAB GOVERNMENTS' OFFERS OF
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MILITARY AID TO LEBANON HAVE BEEN HANDLED TO MUTUAL SATISFACTION

OF GOL AND GOE. ALL PAPERS FEATURE PICTURES OF SADAT RECEIVING SULH PREVIOUS DAY; BOTH ARE SMILING BROADLY. FM NAFFA' AND AMBAS-SADOR TO EGYPT WERE PRESENT AT THE "IMPORTANT MEETING"; COS GAMASI HAD SEPARATE SESSION WITH LEBANESE COS SAYYID NASR.

2. ACCORDING TO AKHBAR, WELL INFORMED SOURCES AT ARAB LEAGUE AFFIRMED SUFFICIENT AID WOULD BE PROVIDED TO MEET LEBANON'S DEMANDS. THE NEWSPAPER QUOTES SULH AS SAYING LEBANON ITSELF WILL PURCHASE THE ARMS IT REQUIRES. ASKED IF SOME ARAB COUNTRIES WILL BUY ARMS OR PARTICIPATE WITH GOL IN ARMS PURCHASE, SULH REPLIED "WE ALL COOPERATE TOGETHER". HE ADDED THAT LEBANON DOES NOT NOW CONSIDER IT NECESSARY TO ACCEPT OFFERS MADE BY SOME COUNTRIES AT ARAB DEFENSE COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE PERSONNEL AND AIRCRAFT: "LEBANON HAS NOT YET REACHED THAT STAGE". AKHBAR REPORTS HE SAID SITUATION DOES NOT WARRANT CALLING FOR "INTERNATIONAL" (UN) FORCES TO BE STATIONED ALONG LEBANESE BORDERS. SULH ALSO SAID, ACCORDING TO AKHBAR, THAT LEBANON WANTS TO PARTICIPATE IN GENEVA CONFERENCE AND IS LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNE MOMENT TO JOIN IN ITS ACTIVITIES. HE "AFFIRMED" THE SOUNDNESS OF THE PALESTINIANS' POSITION VIS A VIS LEBANON, ADDING THAT LEBANON COOPERATES WITH THEM TO SERVE THE COMMON INTEREST.

3. ON THE EGYPTIAN SIDE, SADAT IS REPORTED TO HAVE ASSURED SULH AGAIN OF GOE "READINESS" TO REPLY TO ALL ITS MILITARY AND ECONOMIC DEMANDS, SINCE EGYPT STANDS WITH LEBANON IN CONFRONTATION OF ISRAELI AGGRESIONS IN SOUTH LEBANON.

4. COMMENT: PRESS TREATMENT REFLECTS GENERAL IMPRESSION OF DIPLOMATS
HERE OF GOE POLICY OF PUBLIC RESTRAINT IN REPLY TO ISRAELI RAIDS. ADDRESSEES WILL RECALL SADAT'S PUBLIC SILENCE UNTIL FOURTH DAY OF ISRAELI RAIDING WHEN SADAT'S MESSAGE OF SUPPORT TO FRANJIYA WAS FIRST LEAKED TO PRESS ON JUNE 22. SO FAR SADAT HAS LIMITED HIMSELF, AT LEAST IN PUBLIC, TO PRO FORMA EXPRESSIONS OF ARAB SOLIDARITY AND TO REPEAT, BUT NOT TO PRESS, HIS OFFER OF MILITARY AID. WE ARE REASONABLY SURE WHATEVER AID GOL MAY ACCEPT FROM GOE, SUBSTANTIAL NUMBERS OF EGYPTIAN ARMED FORCES WILL NOT BE INCLUDED.
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